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Malaga, July 2. N. S.

THE Garison of *Barcelona* make a very brave defence; The French have already lost a great many Men; and receive great disturbance from the Miquelets; The Spaniards are sending more Forces thither; Several Sateas are arrived here from *Ceuta*, having on board 1000 Soldiers, who will depart for *Catalonia* with the first fair Wind. The Garison of *Ceuta* are now in so good a Condition, and the Place so well Fortified, that they are under no Apprehensions of the *Moores*, who on the other hand are grown weary of the Siege, being discouraged by the great Losses they have sustained, and the little prospect they have of better success for the future; Two thousand Negroes, part of the Forces that lay before the Town, had received Orders from *Muly Ismael* to march away, and to join some other Forces he had commanded towards *Suz*, the Inhabitants whereof were in Arms against him; Two Pieces of Cannon and a Mortar were likewise ordered to be sent from the Camp before *Ceuta*, and the Alcaide *Ali*, had received Directions to make a Peace or Truce with the Spaniards; This advice came yesterday by a Boat from thence. This day arrived here the *Cloudesly* Galley and the *Mazarcen*, both bound home, having been 3 weeks in their Voyage hither from *Leghorne*; The *African* is likewise come into this Port from *Genoua*. A Dutch Merchant Ship, of 30 Guns, called the *Levant*, Capt. *Van Dale* Commander, has been 3 or 4 days in this Road, who off *Sardinia* fought a French Privateer of 44 Guns several hours, and at last the French bore away.

Madrid, July 10. Their Catholick Majesties continue in very good Health. The Letters from the Spanish Camp, about two Leagues from *Barcelona*, dated the 6th of this month, give an account, that on the 4th the French made a great Attack, which lasted from 12 at night till 3 the next morning: They endeavoured three several times to pass the Palisadoes, but the Spaniards as often beat them off with Sword in hand, and pursued them a good way; They assure us, that the French lost in these three Attacks above 2500 Men; and some who were present in the Action say above 3000; for that of 8 Regiments who made the last Attack, much the greatest part were killed or wounded; on our side about 400 were killed and wounded; and among these divers Officers, *viz.* a Lieutenant Colonel of the Bavarians, a Lieutenant Colonel of the Imperialists, the Serjeant Major of the Regiment of the Coasts, the Serjeant Major of the Red Regiment, three Captains of the same, and several reformed Officers, killed; the Colonel of the Regiment of *Toledo*, the Colonel of the Red Regiment, the Colonel of the Blue Regiment, and some other Officers wounded. Part of the Spanish Horse are posted at *Cornelle* with the Miquelets and Sommerans, who give the Enemy frequent Allarms, and do them much mischief. The French have ruined part of the Town with their Bombs, but this does not dishearten the Inhabitants, who, as well as the Garison, are resolved to defend it to the last Extremity: 'Tis certain, the French did not expect such Resistance. On the 6th Instant were sent into *Barcelona* (which continues open on one side) several of the Troops that were posted towards the Mountains, as also the Regiment of *Valentia*, and the Viceroy intended to send them further Supplies. In the mean time 1000 Men are sent by Sea from *Malaga* to *Catalonia*, and several Regiments are marching thither from *Navarre*. We have advice that the *Moores* desire a Peace with the Garison of *Ceuta*; but they demand a Sum of Money which the Spaniards will not give them.

Corunna, July 20. The last Letters from *Madrid*, which are dated the 10th of this month, say, *Barcelona* is very well defended; The Garison have made several Sallies with very good Success, repulsed the Enemy in 3 Attacks they made the 4th in order to lodge themselves on the Counterscap, and killed 3000 of their Men; The Besieged have made an Intrenchment within the Town from St. *Peter's*-Street to that called the *Turina*, and have pulled down several Houses near the new Gate which might favour the Enemies approach. They have a free Communication with the Spanish Forces that lie about two Leagues off, under the Command of the Viceroy, and can on that side receive Supplies both of Men and Provisions. Count *Lobcowitz*, the Emperor's Ambassador, has left *Madrid* in order to his return home; and the Count *de Harach* is arrived there to succeed him in that Employment.

Leghorne, July 1. On the 24th past arrived here the *Degrave*, Capt. *Young* Commander, from *England*; who will in few days proceed for *Smirna*. The *Charles*, Capt. *Pickering*, sailed hence the last week to Cruize.

Milan, July 3. The Marquis *de Leganez* has received Orders from the Court of *Spain* to Disband part of the Forces in the Service of this State; and has had several meetings with the General Officers about putting them in Execution. The Marquis *de Radanasco*, who was lately sent to the Princes of *Italy* to solicite the Payment of the Arrears of Contributions which they agreed to pay the German Forces, upon their departure out of this Country, is returned hither, having had but little success in this Negotiation.

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